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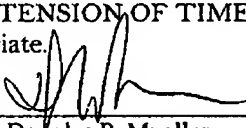
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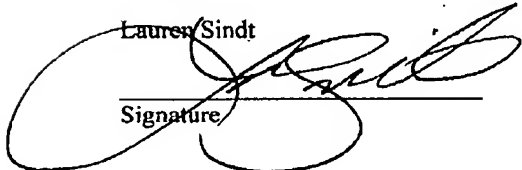
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Dear Sir:

Applicants elect the species "a fluorometer with transmission filters", claims 3, 4, and 12-15 in response to the Election of Species Requirement of August 17, 2007. Claims 1, 2 and 8-11 have been recognized to be generic. Applicants traverse the requirement to the extent of requesting that claims drawn to a non-elected species be retained for possible consideration should a generic claim be deemed allowable. An early and favorable action on the merits is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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